

CHAPTER NO. 948

HOUSE BILL NO. 3189

By Representatives Harmon, Favors

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 3188

By Senators Cooper, Norris, Finney

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8, Chapter 8, relative to the training of sheriffs.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 8-8-102, is amended by deleting subsection (c) and substituting the following new subsection (c):

(c)

(1) Every person who is elected or appointed to the office of sheriff after May 30, 1997, shall, annually during such term of office, complete forty (40) hours of in-service training appropriate for the rank and responsibilities of a sheriff. All such training shall be approved by the peace officer standards and training commission. Any such sheriff who does not fulfill the obligations of this annual in-service training shall lose the power of arrest.

(2) Every person who is elected to the office of sheriff after August 1, 2006, in a regular August general election for a four-year term, and is a first term sheriff, regardless of their previous law enforcement experience, must successfully complete the newly elected sheriffs' school prior to the 1st day of September immediately following their election and thereafter must successfully complete forty (40) hours of annual in-service training appropriate for the rank and responsibilities of a sheriff pursuant to subdivision (c)(1). The newly elected sheriffs' school shall be taught at the Tennessee law enforcement academy during the month of August, only in the years that elections for sheriffs are held. The curriculum shall be developed by the Tennessee law enforcement training academy in cooperation with the Tennessee sheriffs' association and must be approved by the peace officer standards and training commission. Any usual and customary cost associated with attending the newly elected sheriffs' school shall be paid by the county. Any such sheriff who does not fulfill the obligations of this training course shall lose their power of arrest. No fees collected for such sheriffs' school shall inure to the benefit of the Tennessee sheriffs' association.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2006, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: May 25, 2006


JIMMY NAIFEH, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES


JOHN S. WILDER
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 20th day of June 2006


PHIL BREDESEN, GOVERNOR